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Concerned Citizens Meet With School Board About Rumors

The Elba City School Board met Thursday night in a regularly scheduled meeting. Along with the routine business, there were twelve people present and attended the meeting. The majority of the group attended with the impression that action was to be taken that night on the matter. However, they were told that the Board was not prepared to make a decision at that time, but they would be notified when the Board was to meet and hire a coach, and would be invited to attend.

Several members of the group attending spoke out with their opinion on the hiring of a coach and/or the operation of the entire school system. No person spoke for a specific man wanting the job, even though several said they had an opinion, but would work with any man hired. Those attending on this subject were Wayne Marlet, Kimmy Ham, Tony Hudson, Fred Smith, Jr., James Grimes, William Pope, Gerald Boswell, and Elkin Williamson. Also four members of the teaching staff attended: Mrs. Frances Prior, Mrs. Jimmy Davis, Mr. Ben Morrow, and Assistant Principal Roland Powell. Mr. John W. Sharpless was also present, but on another matter.

The first teacher to speak was Mrs. Prior, who brought to the attention of the Board the fact that she had been teaching for several years and had been a coach for several years. She said that if the pay to the football coach was to be increased, it would be more than the pay to the other coaches. She said that if the pay to the football coach was to be increased, it would be more than the pay to the other coaches. She said that if the pay to the football coach was to be increased, it would be more than the pay to the other coaches.

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Cub Scout Pack Meets

Cub Scout Pack #47 met around the teepee. Den 11 denims, Michael Maddox and Tim Mitchell lead the group in singing followed by Harris Davis doing a war dance.

The scouts are still collecting Golden Flake potato chip bags. Please turn them in by December 15 at the Elementary School.

County Commission Praised For Condition of Roads

The Coffee County Commission met in Enterprise Monday with all members present. The meeting was routine, with the only reference to the Grand Jury report being to ask District Attorney Lewey Stephens to appear before the Commission and give details on Grand Jury demands that something be done with county buildings or they be abandoned. No reference was made to the demand by the Grand Jury that the commissioners submit a five-year plan of road work to be done. Routine business consisted of hearing a complaint on the trash dump at New Brockton. Mr. Rex Powell told the commissioners that someone set fire to the trash Saturday night and he wanted a gate installed and it looked each night. The trash dump is not covered each day as is the garbage dump. The trash dump is filled mostly with tree limbs, leaves, etc.

The commissioners heard a letter read concerning flood insurance. The federal government has set a final date for application to enter into the program. After that date no federal funds will be available for work in areas designated as flood-prone, according to the letter. Also authorized payment of bills that were in order.

The commission approved payment of expenses for Mrs. Robert Stephens, Food Stamp Supervisor, to attend a workshop in New Orleans. The federal government pays half this expense.

The commissioners heard a letter read from the Alabama Highway Department on the Fall County Maintenance inspection. This inspection of all county paved roads revealed that they were all in satisfactory condition. The highway department commended county forces for "the excellent manner in which you are maintaining your highways."

Man Arrested For Rape Of 13 Year Old

The Coffee County Sheriff's Department and the Pike County Sheriff's Department cooperated in an arrest during the weekend in an alleged rape of a minor. They reported that a 13-year-old black girl reported to the Elba Police Department on the incident and two departments cooperated in arresting a 20-year-old man, known to the girl.

Rescue Squad Officers Named

The Elba Rescue Squad elected new officers on Monday night this week. The new officers will take office on January 1.

Marvin McIlwain, one of the original members of the rescue squad, will serve as Captain. Pictured below are all the new officers. They are from left: Bill Hurd, Publicity Officer; Lloyd Driggers, 1st Lt.; McIlwain, Aubrey Carlisle, 2nd Lt. Jr.; George Windham, Equipment Officer; Bobby Boutwell, Secretary; Tommy Boutwell, Treasurer; Bill Walton, 2nd Lt.; Ray Henderson, Communications Officer; and Conner Ray Henderson, Equipment Officer.

Carol Sing Planned For Friday Night

There will be a Christmas Carol Sing held on the Square in Elba on Friday, December 12, 1975, beginning at 7:00 p.m. and lasting until about 9:00 p.m. The annual event is sponsored by the Elba Ministerial Association.

Most of the merchants on the square are planning to remain open during this time for the convenience of shoppers.

EDITOR'S NOTE:
A number of local merchants have been led to believe that donations of \$10.00 were being taken up to sponsor the singing. The Ministerial Association knows nothing about this, and apparently the merchants misunderstood the telephone call they received or someone was deliberately trying to mislead them. Whatever the case, no sponsorships were solicited by the Ministerial Association, and none were expected, according to statements made by a spokesman for the group.

To avoid confusion, a planned special ad section in THE ELBA CLIPPER was cancelled until next Christmas.

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Rotary Club

John B. Givhan, an attorney from Andalusia, was the guest speaker at the Elba Rotary Club Monday. Givhan, a Vietnam veteran, was a member of a group study exchange team that went to England last summer under the sponsorship of the Rotary Club.

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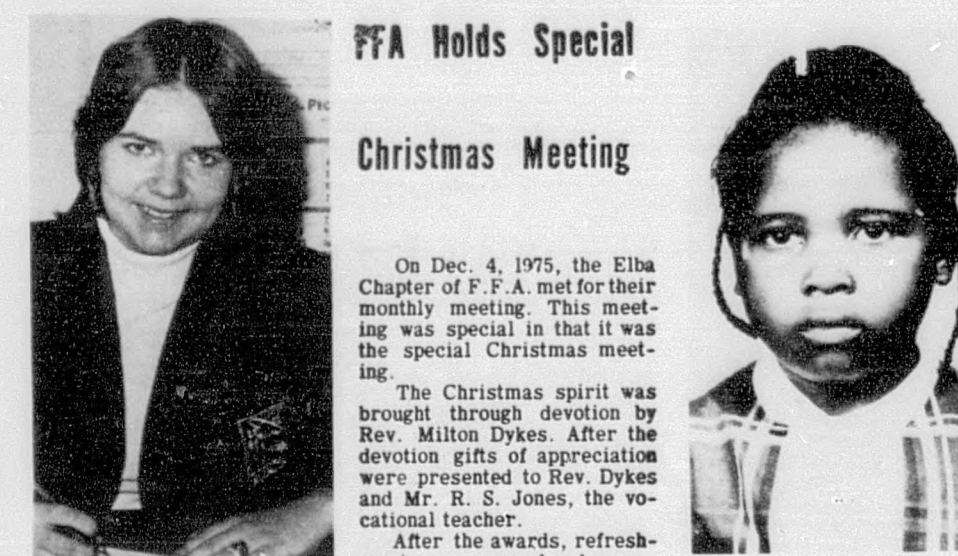


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FFA Holds Special Christmas Meeting

On Dec. 4, 1975, the Elba Chapter of FFA met for their monthly meeting. This meeting was special in that it was the special Christmas meeting.

The Christmas spirit was brought through devotion by Rev. Milton Dykes. After the devotion gifts of appreciation were presented to Rev. Dykes and Mr. R. S. Jones, the vocational teacher.

After the awards, refreshments were served and everyone had a great time.

VICA SPOTLIGHT

This week the spotlight features Vicky Gallimore. She is President of the local Chapter of Vocational Industrial Clubs of America. She is a senior and second year co-op student employed at Dr. Crook's office as a medical secretary. Vicky has done an outstanding job in her occupational field and has been very instrumental in making VICA and the VIE Co-op program a stronger organization. She combines personality, determination, enthusiasm and a big smile as she helps lead VICA to bigger and better things.

Reporter, David Sasser.

MYSTERY TEACHER

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10 Thousand Dollard Py-and
The Pr-cc is Right
Doctors' It-spirit
Musical Ch-ai-

WHAT IF

...We had two lunch rooms at E.H.S.
...School was a place for recreation and home was a place for work.
...We had ten classes a day.
...The eighth grade girls didn't sit around looking at boys.
...Rhonda didn't sleep in his room every day.
...Ruth didn't flirt all the time.
...Bruce didn't put his foot in his mouth all the time.
...Tim didn't go to Samson all the time.
...Students did more work than play.

Fireplaces waste heat. Most of the heat the fire provides, along with large amounts of air warmed by your heating system, is drawn up the chimney.

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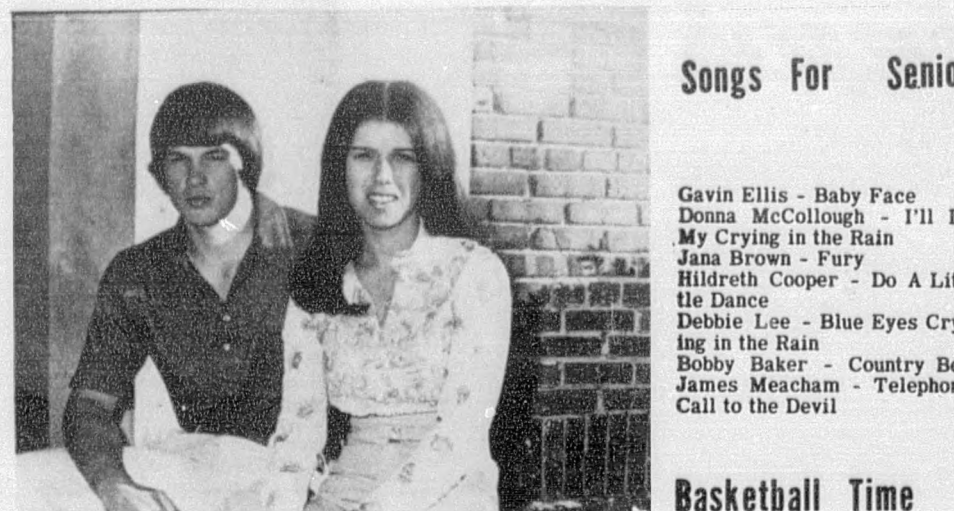
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Janet Brown and Danny Haley
Cutest Couple

HONOR ROLLS

ALL 'A's'

7th Grade
Mia Calhoun
Donna Hudson
Tina Lee
Keith Lewis
Sandra Sexton
Holly Vaughan
Derrick Boutwell
Thomas Moore
James White
Alyson Vaughan
Chris English
Phil Hayes

8th Grade
Tim Driggers
Susan Bruchner
Robert Jernigan
Betsy Brunson
Jay Harper
Rachelle Bozeman
Todd Westbrook
Mark Davis
Shannon Donaldson
Melinda Farris

9th Grade
Kathy Fuller
Perry Fuller
Anita Mobley
Phyllis Kelley
Melinda Smart
Suzie Bruce
Marie Jones
Jim Rogers
Terri Davis
Andy Bullard
Tom Dubisar
Katrina Hayes
Jackie Prescott
Tom Brinkmeir

10th Grade
Mike Rich
Claude Collier

11th Grade
Sam DeVane
Russ Cass
Kenneth Russell
Kenneth Bryan
Mark Hamm
Mark Carpenter
Beverly Kelley

12th Grade
Jo Ruth Kendrick
John Stephens
Mark Kelley
Charlotte Allen
Jana Brown
Bill Brunson
Hildreth Cooper
Debbie Lee
Regina Towles

Did Ya Know

School is out for Christmas December 11.
...It's gonna be out for good for a few of the seniors!
The Yearbooks are about to go off sale! You had better hurry.
This week's last full week of school for a few of the seniors.
This year's ELBALA is going to be the best.
Sherry & Jo Ruth are starting Troy State University next month.
Kim King's loneliness is coming over. (Her fellow is coming home)

Annuals Finally Go On Sale

On Tuesday, December 2, the sales staff of 1975-76 ELBALA finally got it all together! We went to the individual grades of the Elba City Schools. We got off to a slow start mainly because of a lack of public announcement of the sale. Well, that is what this is! Everyone remember to bring \$10.00 within the next two weeks to purchase the best yearbook ever come from Elba High School.

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Songs For Seniors

Gavin Ellis - Baby Face
Donna McCollough - I'll Do My Crying in the Rain
Jana Brown - Pity
Hildreth Cooper - Do A Little Dance
Debbie Lee - Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain
Bobby Baker - Country Boy
James Meacham - Telephone Call to the Devil

Basketball Time

Yep, it's basketball time and our basketball team really needs your support. This goes for the parents and fans as well as for the student body. There's a fine show going on no matter where the Tigers are. When there is a ball game, whether the Tigers are ahead or behind, you're in for a treat. When the Tigers are ahead, it is glorious and when they are behind they put on a big fight, so either way, it is a good thing to watch.

Now, if you don't believe me, come see for yourself. We need you to help us promote the Tigers. And, along with this opportunity to see the Tigers perform, you have a wonderful opportunity to watch the Cheerleaders and the Pep Club perform.

SENIOR OF THE WEEK

The person chosen to represent Elba High this week as "Senior of the Week" is an active member of the Pop Club, Junior Music Club and Beta Club. Her name, well it's Jo Ruth Kendrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Doug Kendrick.

Jo Ruth's main interest is cheerleading and this year she was captain of the varsity cheerleaders as well as being co-captain last year. Jo Ruth, like many other seniors, attends Enterprise State Junior College in the mornings and EHS in the afternoon where she is taking Mythology and P.E. At the end of the semester Jo Ruth plans to graduate and attend Troy State University.

Ruthie has a high opinion of the school. "I think it's great." She said that she couldn't find anything that needed improving around the school and as far as her pet peeve is concerned she lists people who lie at the top.

Jo Ruth attends Sunday school and church at the First Baptist Church here in Elba. Well, Ruthie, it won't be long till the semester ends and you'll find that we'll miss you. Good luck!

There's still time to order from Sears for Christmas delivery

GLEN VAUGHAN
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News From The Young Rebels

The elementary school program at Zion Chapel has added to its curriculum, classes in reading for students in 4th, 5th and 6th grades. Although the class load is limited, the classes are growing in reading and are reading on higher levels. Along with the basic reading program are fun activities and emphasis on character, personal behavior, patriotism and citizenship. The classes are taught by Mrs. Opal Stinson.

On Thursday, Dec. 4, Coffee County Title 1 Reading Teachers met at Zion Chapel School for an afternoon workshop. The workshop was taught by Mrs. Opal Stinson of the Zion Chapel School. Also present at the workshop were the Title 1 Reading Coordinator, Mrs. June Brown, and Mr. Jimmy Baker and Mr. Johnny Vaughan, Coffee County Superintendents of Education.

Teen Thinkers

Do You Believe Anyone Has The Right To Say If A Person Should Live or Die?

Steve Reeder: "Yes, in some cases I think it would be o.k." Jerry Downing: "No, a person is entitled to one life and I think he should live it." Debbie Duncan: "No, because in some cases it might not be their responsibility."

Rebel To Remember

This week's Rebel to Remember is someone who stands out in a crowd because of his quietness. He always seems to know the right thing to say and do at the right time and place though. He's friendly, courteous, mature, and hard-working. He has the king of personality and sense of humor that is appreciated without his having to shout it out. Do you recognize our Rebel to Remember, Senior Tommy Bryan? He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Bryan of Route Five, Elba.

Moments For Meditation

Speech may sometimes do harm, but so may silence and a worse harm at that. No insult ever caused so deep a wound as a tenderness expected and withheld; and no spoken indiscretion was ever so bitterly regretted as the word that one did not speak.

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THE NEW ADVENTURES OF SUPERSCRIPTION

BUTCH OGGS

In today's episode, Supercription meets Capt. Germ. Supercription, I'd like you to meet Capt. Germ. Capt. Germ, I'm going to destroy you. That's not a very friendly greeting to some one you just met. I know, and I'm usually very friendly, as my customers and my employees will attest. Where you're concerned, Capt. Germ, I can be very unfriendly.

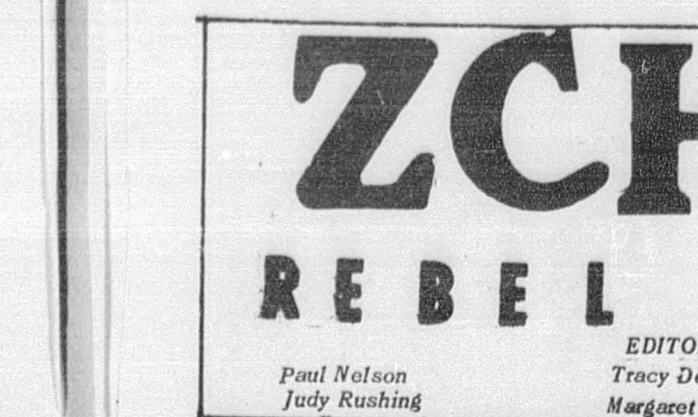
Watch for the next adventure, and see just how unfriendly Supercription can be to Capt. Germ, and just how friendly he can be to you, as he fills your doctor's prescription, at Supercription's Headquarters.

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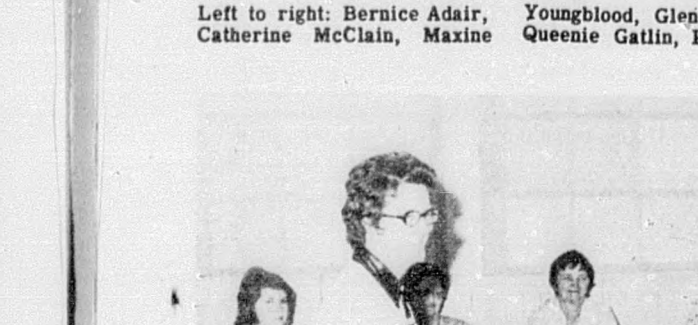
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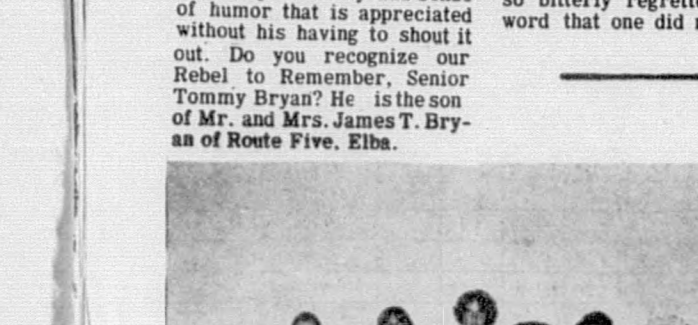
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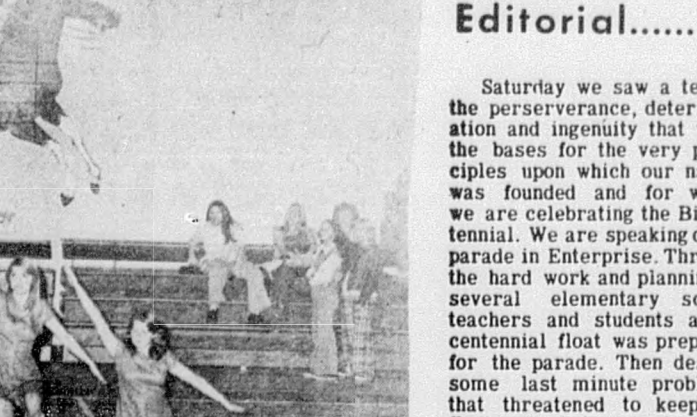
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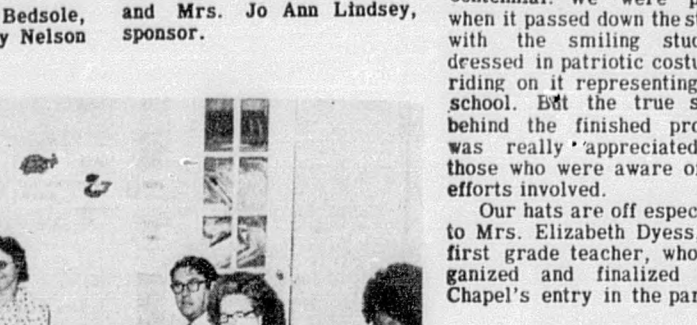
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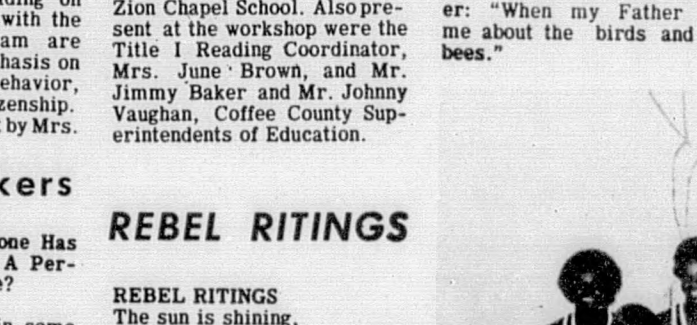
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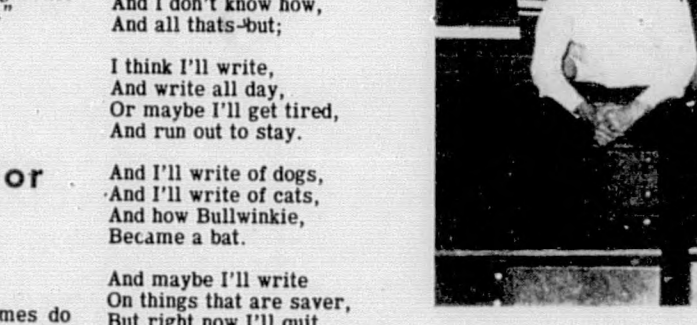
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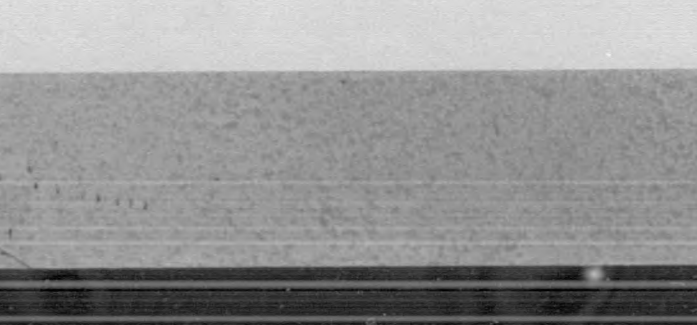
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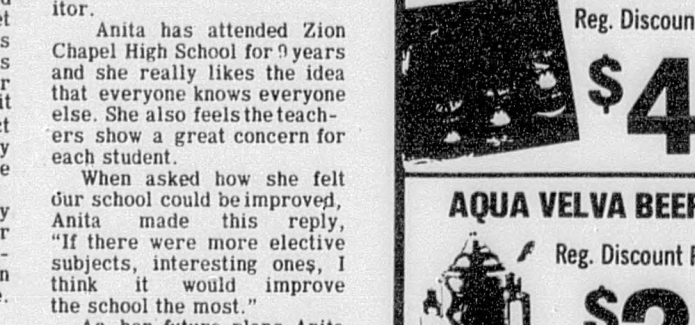
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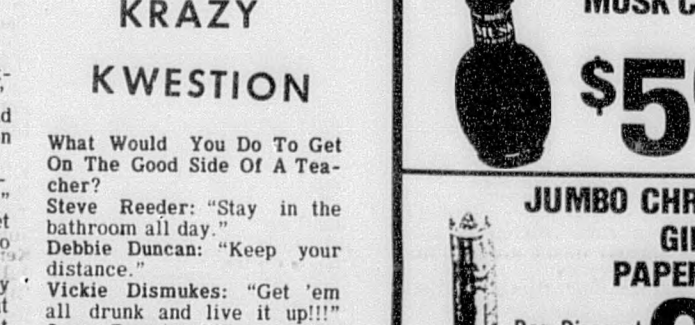
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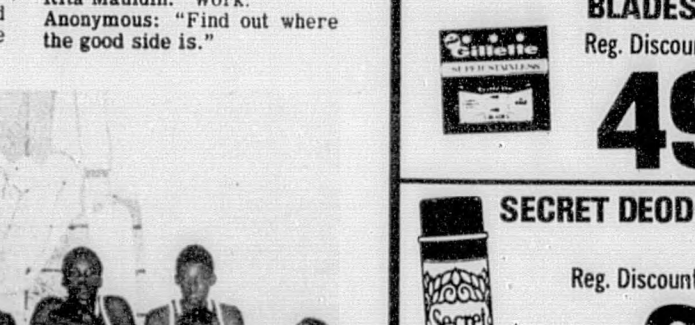
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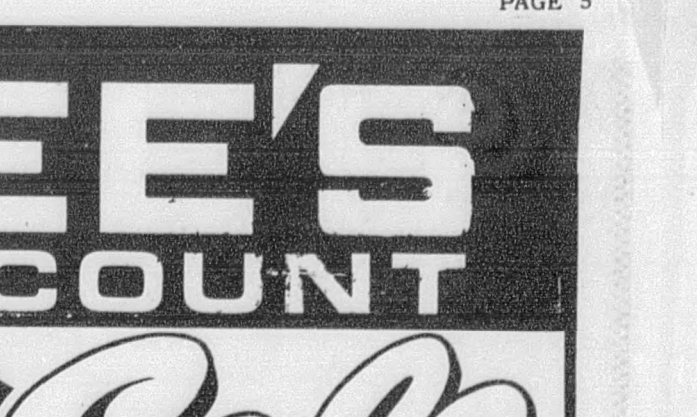
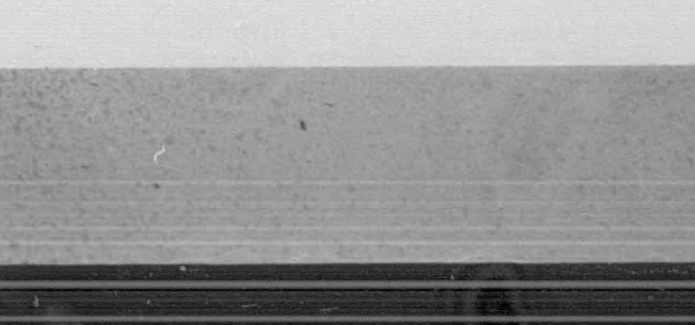
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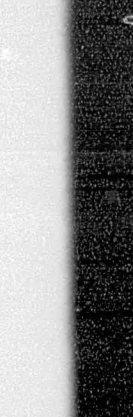
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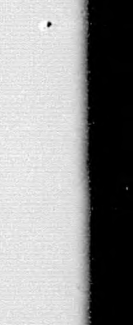
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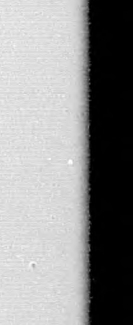
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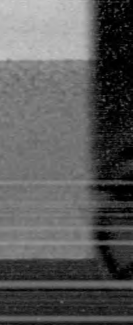
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Sports

Notes From THE BENCH

by, Ricky Mulzer Sports Editor

NORTH SWEPS GRID PLAYOFFS

The prep football season finally came to an end last week with teams from North Alabama sweeping all four crowns. Mt. Brook's Major Ogilvie made shambles of Dothan's vaunted defense as he led his team to a 29-23 win, and the Class 4A championship. Ogilvie, only a junior, rushed 22 times for 171 yards. Ogilvie's performance wasn't enough to gain him MVP honors, however!

Dothan quarterback Steadman Shelly won that honor by rushing 18 times for 100 yards, and completing 11 of 19 passes for 137 yards and two touchdowns.

Albany rallied from a 7-7 halftime deadlock to rout Andalusia 35-15 and claim the Class 3A title. Albany was led offensively by all-state running back Freddie Smith, who gained 147 yards in 21 carries. Smith also tallied two touchdowns, including one on an 80-yard jaunt.

The loss gave Andy a 13-1 record, and was only the third loss for the Bulldogs in the past three years. Oddly enough, all three losses came in the playoffs to the state champions (John Carroll in '73, Almore in '74, and Albany in '75).

By the way, the last team to beat Andalusia in the regular season was Elba, in 1972, by the score of 7-0.

Hazelwood, paced by the record-breaking performance of Gary Madden, claimed the Class 2A crown by blitzing Hokes Bluff, 53-0. Madden, a 170-pound running back, carried the ball 29 times for 190 yards, and scored 5 touchdowns and a two-point conversion. The 32-point performance by Madden broke the individual scoring record in the AHSAA playoffs.

The Hazelwood offense scored seven of the first eight times they got the ball.

Rabunne, making its fourth straight playoff appearance, finally won all the marbles by upsetting Sweet Water, 22-7. The win gave Rabunne the Class A championship. Sweet Water, which was making its fifth playoff appearance, took a 7-0 lead in the second quarter, but just couldn't hold off the tough Rabunne offense.

CAGE ROUND-UP
The Elba Tigers saw their record fall to 2-4 last week when they lost to Florala. Despite their record, the Tigers seem ready to put it together, and should begin winning consistently. If the Tigers can ever put it all together, they could prove to be a real contender for the SAC title.

New Brockton upped their record to 4-2 by dumping Kinston, 78-55. The Gamecocks appear to be improving with each win after their slow start.

Next Tuesday night (Dec. 16) the Gamecocks will host the 4A Dothan Tigers. New Brockton's 6-7 Billy Edwards will be hard-pressed to control the boards against Dothan's pair of 6-6 sophomores, and both quarterbacks did a fine job. If Livingston just hadn't fumbled, they'd have beaten N. Michigan by 20 points.

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LIVINGSTON FALLS IN SEMI'S
Well, Alabama's chance to have two national champions disappeared Saturday when Livingston fumbled away their game to Northern Michigan, 28-26.

I, like most of you, watched the game on television, and was greatly impressed with the Livingston team. The "no-buddle" wishbone looked awesome, and both quarterbacks did a fine job. If Livingston just hadn't fumbled, they'd have beaten N. Michigan by 20 points.

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The New Hope Junior High Wildcats ran their record to 2-1 Thursday night by mauling the Arton Purple Cats, 110-45.

New Hope came out in a hilt court press and forced the visitors into countless turnovers. The Wildcats took advantage of the floor mistakes by running away to a 24-0 lead in the first quarter, but then the game was a close race.

With the game all but wrapped up since early in the first quarter, the only question in the fans' mind was whether or not the 'cats would hit the magic 100 point mark. New Hope's Willie Berry sank a pair of free throws with 2:42 left in the game to give the 'cats a 100-39 lead and the chessboard goal.

At the final buzzer New Hope had the win, 110-45.

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TIGERS FALL TO FLORALA 55-51

The Elba Tigers saw a six point halftime lead evaporate under a third-quarter Florida outburst and the Tigers never caught up as they suffered a 55-51 loss.

The loss drops Elba's record to 2-4, while Florida now stands 2-0.

Florida jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead on a lay-up but neither team could find the range in the opening period and after one quarter Florida held a 11-0 lead.

Elba's Teddy Barnes got hot from the field in the second quarter, and the Tigers jumped into a surprising 25-11 lead at the half.

Florida came out in a press in the third quarter, and the Wildcats forced Elba into numerous turnovers. The catstook advantage of the Tiger mistakes to pull away to a 46-39 lead after three quarters of play.

Elba refused to quit in the final stanza and cut the Florida lead to 52-51 with 2:03 left in the game. However, the Tigers failed to score in the final two minutes and lost 55-51.

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New Brockton's Billy Edwards (32) soars above Zion Chapel's Randolph Moultry in attempt to block shot.

Clio Holds Off Rebels 67-61

The Zion Chapel Rebels, trailing Clio by 18 points at the beginning of the fourth quarter, saw a last minute rally cut the deficit to 63-61, but it was too little, too late. As Clio held on for a 67-61 win.

The lead saw-sawed back and forth in the opening quarter, but the Rebels managed to take a 17-14 lead after one period of play.

YC held the lead for much of the second quarter, but Clio pulled away late in the half to grab a 34-32 lead at halftime.

The Rebels slipped aside 36-34 at the beginning of the third quarter, but Clio roared

back to outscore Zion Chapel 22-4 for the remainder of the period, and the visitors took a commanding 58-40 lead into the final stanza.

YC refused to quit in the final quarter and outscored Clio 21-5 during the opening seven minutes of the final period to pull within 63-61 with 3:2 left. However, that was as close as the Rebels could get as they lost 67-61.

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Coffee County Extension Council Wins In Leadership Program

By Tom Casaday

The Coffee County Extension Council and Antioch Community Club of Covington County were named winners in Montgomery last week in the state's Resource and Leadership Development program.

Each organization received a \$300 check at an awards luncheon that recognized communities and Extension Councils and individuals in southeast Alabama who had done outstanding jobs in the RLD program.

The awards luncheon, attended by 150 rural leaders, climaxed a year's work in the program which seeks to help build a better way of life in rural Alabama and to recognize

size leaders who help bring it about. The program is conducted statewide by the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service and is sponsored by Liberty National Life Insurance Company and the Alabama Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to awards for winning communities and Extension Councils, an individual from each of 17 counties in southeast Alabama received a plaque in recognition of leadership and exemplary public service. Probate Judge James L. Sawyer is the Coffee County recipient for 1975. Judge Sawyer was recognized for his cooperation and leadership in agriculture, home economics and youth work in the county.

Awards in the county Extension Council phase of the

competition were based on the council's effectiveness in helping Extension staff members plan and carry out programs that contributed to economic and educational development.

The winning Coffee County Council, headed by Roy Sims of Enterprise, carried out agricultural programs which helped make Coffee County No. 1 in farm income for the district last year.

Runner-up council, receiving \$200, was Covington.

Card Of Thanks

I would like to thank the personnel of the Coffee County Courthouse and Judge James L. Sawyer for their memorial contribution made to the Elba Nursing Home in memory of Mr. George Wise.

This contribution will be used toward the purchase of a new wheel chair.

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Rose Parade Puzzle

Roses made the peasant famous, but many types of flora are used to create the lavish floats in the annual Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade on New Year's Day.

Here's a fun puzzle to test your detective abilities and your floral knowledge.

Hidden below are the names of 24 popular flowers frequently used on Rose floats. They may run vertically, horizontally, or diagonally, and may read from left to right, right to left, top to bottom, or bottom to top. Circle each flower as you find it.

The 1976 Rose Parade will be telecast live on NBC and CBS, beginning at 11:30 a.m. EST (10:30 a.m. CST) on January 1, 1976. The 62nd Rose Bowl Game follows on NBC, beginning at 5 p.m. EST (4 p.m. CST).

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Utility Dept. Loses \$5,000

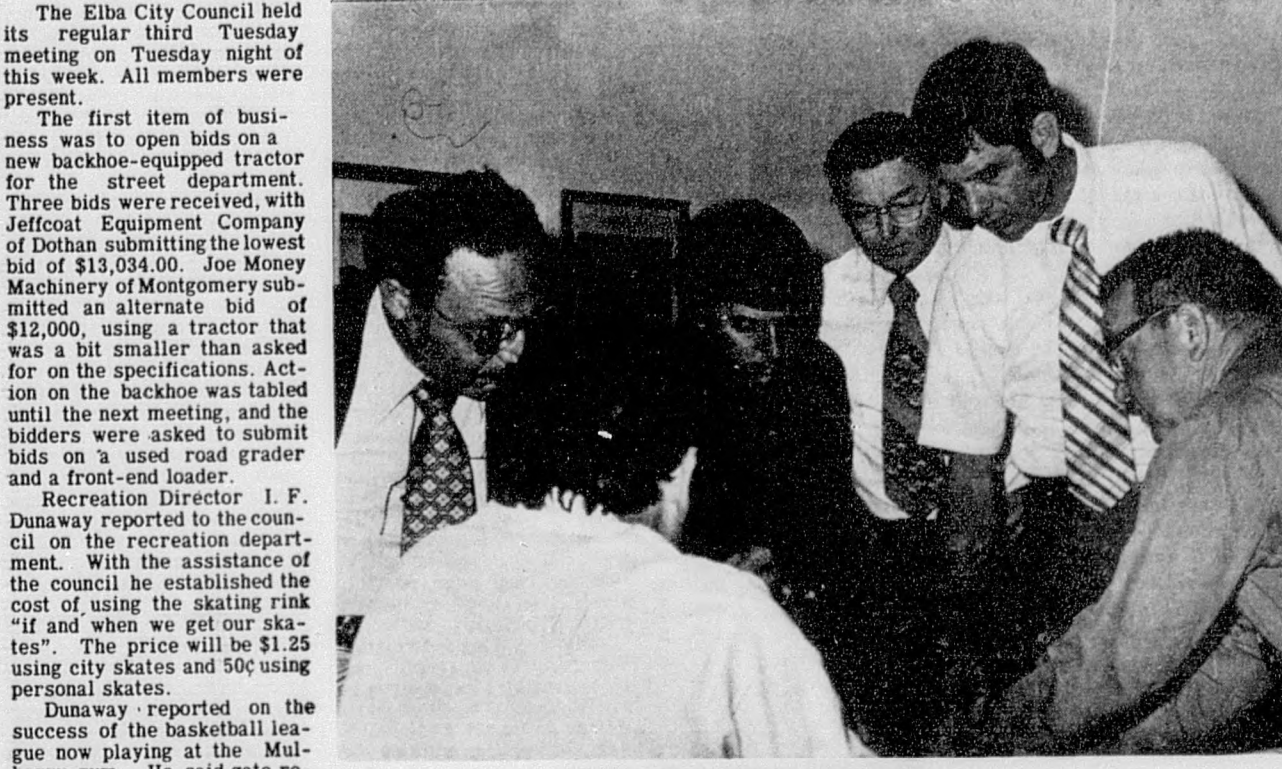


The Elba Light and Water Board met at noon Monday in a meeting postponed from the previous Tuesday night. The meeting was routine. Chairman Charles Hayes III reported that the auditor had indicated the Board was in good condition relative to bonded indebtedness, and he would present a detailed report on this at the January meeting. Hayes pointed out to the members that as usual during this time of the year, the Board operated at a deficit, with a \$5,347.85 loss. He explained that power use drops in winter but operating expenses remain almost the same. The December 13 financial statement of the board indicated a utility billing of \$70,245.70 and expenses of \$75,593.84. Of this expense the power bill (electricity purchased) totaled \$46,763.76. The board was also given a list of delinquent accounts that totaled only \$204.74 from November. A list of inactive accounts (users moved) had a \$530.05 balance due, but deposits had not been applied to these. An estimate of the cost of providing power to the new National Guard Army is being prepared and installation is expected to cost about \$12,000. The board also discussed low voltage to several areas of the city and stressed the urgency of the quarter-million dollar upgrading of the system that is on the drawing boards. One full power application was approved. These are for people whose homes are all electric and who get a one-time cash bonus for using electricity. The figure is based on the square footage in the house. A letter was read from the Alabama Department of Public Health with the results of an Elba water well inspection. The inspection indicated that due to water table dropping, wells one and three should have some additional work done on them to prevent future trouble. Due to the dropping of the water table, the Health Department suggested that Well #2 (at city pool) be reduced to pumping only 500 gallons per minute. The final action of the board was to approve paying a \$10 Christmas bonus to all employees.

School Cuts Teaching Staff By One

This newspaper has received a number of complaints from concerned parents in regard to the combining of some fourth grade classes at the Elba Elementary School recently. The complaints prompted a call to Superintendent Elmer Taylor and a request for an explanation. Taylor said a teacher in the kindergarten had resigned and since there were five fourth grade teachers instructing 115 students, it was felt that this was the move to make. He further explained how the number of teachers are arrived at and why it is sometimes incorrect. The State Department of Education sends out an estimated number of teacher units allowed based on past enrollment and anticipated legislative action. According to the estimate Elba would have kindergarten teachers but the legislature did not fund the kindergarten program, therefore, the system was overstaffed as far as state funds were concerned. Before the education bills passed the legislature, school had started with the kindergarten program included. Last week a kindergarten teacher resigned and Taylor decided to transfer one of the fourth grade teachers to the kindergarten. He said that the fourth grade classes are still not overfilled and the reduction in teacher units due to the resignation was a fortunate circumstance. The final action of the board was to approve paying a \$10 Christmas bonus to all employees.

Council Discusses City Limits Move



The Elba City Council held its regular third Tuesday meeting on Tuesday night of this week. All members were present. The first item of business was to open bids on a new backhoe-equipped tractor for the street department. Three bids were received, with Jettco Equipment Company of Dothan submitting the lowest bid of \$15,034.00. Joe Money Machinery of Montgomery submitted an alternate bid of \$12,000, using a tractor that was a bit smaller than asked for on the specifications. Action on the backhoe was tabled until the next meeting, and the bidders were asked to submit bids on a used road grader and a front-end loader. Recreation Director I. F. Dunaway reported to the council on the recreation department. With the assistance of the council he established the cost of using the skating rink "if and when we get our skates". The price will be \$1.25 using city skates and 50¢ using personal skates. Dunaway reported to the council on the basketball league now playing at the Mulberry gym. He said gate receipts were \$41.25 and the council instructed him to turn this money in to be deposited in the recreation fund. Dunaway reported he had a price of \$64.15 on a tennis net; there were five leaks in the recreation building, and that he needed a new one. He also needed some work done on the baseball fields; the machines in the recreation building were worn out and needed replacing. A Dothan firm has suggested placing their machines in the building a 50-50 sharing of receipts agreement. Also, the pool tables need repairing. He said the latest estimate of repairing the front of the building where a tennis girl hit it with a car was \$727.00. Insurance covered this damage, according to Dunaway.



Two Youths Are Arrested On Drug Charges At School. Last Thursday Elba police arrested two Elba High School students and charged them with drug possession. The officers went to the school with warrants to search one youth's car and happened to see suspected drugs in a car parked next to the one being searched. A check revealed that it was marijuana and both youths were arrested and later released on bonds. One of the boys was later charged with selling drugs. The charges were based on previous evidence collected by police officers, according to statements made by the arresting officers. The case of possession on one of the youths will be tried in city court, as it is his first offense. The other youth has a previous conviction, according to officers, and the case will be bound over to Circuit Court. His case of selling drugs will automatically be bound over to the higher court as a felony.

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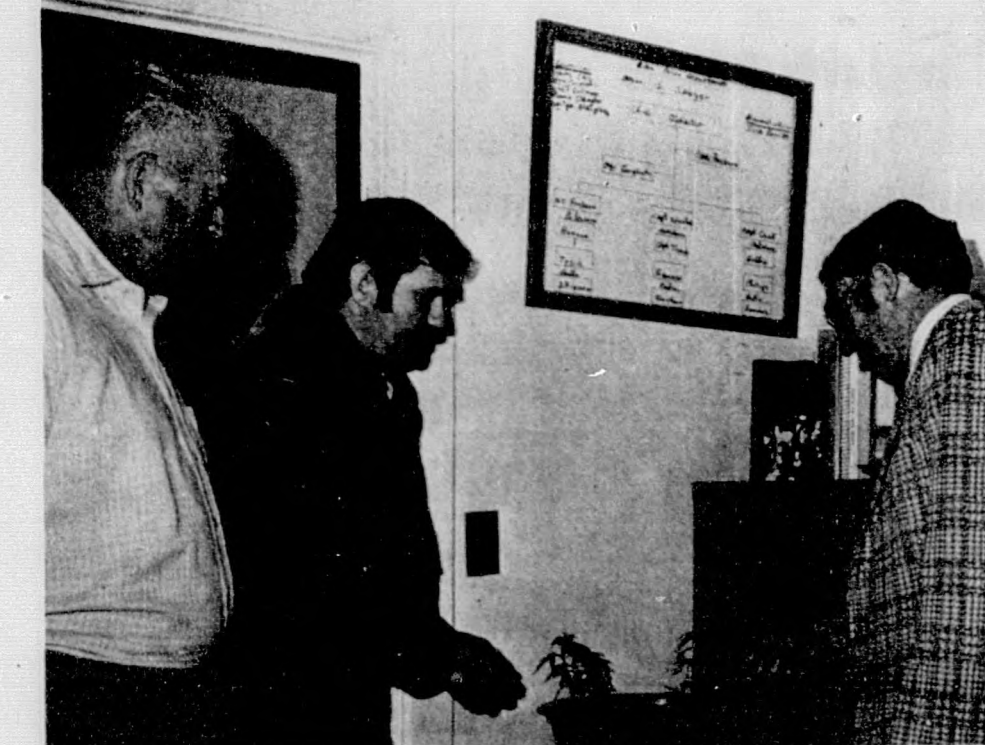
The South Central Mental Health Department in Andalusia sent a letter to the City and Director Wright will be asked to attend the next meeting. The City has had a meeting with the mental health folks about the amount of help available to Elba people and the amount of funds requested from the city. The councilmen voted to increase the salary of the city clerk to \$60 and the increase had to be made at least six months before the election. Councilman Ben Carpenter voted against the action. The mayor's salary was increased from \$250 to \$350. As reported in last week's ELBA CLIPPER, a new law removes the ceiling on pay for mayors of small towns. In the past the \$250 was the maximum that could be paid under Alabama law. The council had been asked to establish a policy on Christmas gifts for city employees for future years, but no action was taken on this. Several councilmen were opposed to the suggested graduated scale of bonus, and others didn't feel the council should set a policy that would carry over a change of administration. William Scarbrough was reappointed to a position on the Housing Authority. He is completing his first term and had told city officials he would serve again if asked. Monday through Friday, by appointment. Dr. White has just returned from an AMA Clinical Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii, where he studied the newest techniques of medicine.

Band Concert Slated For Tonight At School

The Elba City School Bands will be presenting their annual Christmas concert on Thursday, December 18th at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. The scheduled concert is presented to the people of Elba by the band members in appreciation of the continuing support and interest shown in them. The Intermediate Band, directed by Mr. Scott Weidner, will perform two numbers for the concert. It is composed of fifty-five sixth, seventh and eighth grade students who are in their second year of band. The Concert and Symphonic Bands, each composed of approximately sixty members under the direction of Mr. Bob Stamp, will also perform several numbers. Special selections will be performed by a brass choir consisting of several members of the Symphonic Band. No admission is charged to the concert but any donations will be received at the door. Band students will be distributing complimentary tickets but are not necessary for admission.

Retail Business Shows Decrease In County

A recent issue of Alabama Business, published by the Center for Business and Economic Research at the University of Alabama, contained figures on retail sales in various counties in the state including Coffee County for the period of January-September of 1975 compared with the same period in 1974. Coffee County reported a drop of 0.7 percent overall during this period. Leading the decrease was eating places with a whopping 30.1 percent drop. Building supplies and lumber sales dropped 15.4 percent reflecting the nationwide drop in construction. This was followed closely by a 13% drop in sales by gas stations, even though car sales were off only 8.8 percent. Furniture sales dropped 11.6 percent in the county. It is interesting to note that in Pike County there was a 17.5% drop in furniture and a big 25% drop in Covington, the only two adjoining counties with this figure available. While all these items were dropping, the hardware and farm implement business increased a tremendous 45%; the figures on retail sales in various counties showed a drop in this category. General merchandise stores showed a 20.8% increase and grocery stores sales increased 18% during the period. Drug stores increased almost 5% and clothing stores about 4%. Coffee County citizens spent \$54,453,000 on retail purchases during this period.



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Santa To Visit Elba On Saturday

Each year it is a tradition with the Elba Fire Department to escort Santa into town on Saturday before Christmas. This year is no exception and the firemen have released the route Santa will follow. The time is 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon, December 20th. The firetruck will meet Santa at the airport and drive straight in on Highway 64 to the square at Martins, go around the square, back to Johnson's old Tire Store. Turning right up Claxton to Newton and left on Newton Street to Santa's arrival at the Taylor Mill Road (Newton St.) to Coleman Brothers Funeral Home and turn left from there back to the airport. Santa will be giving out candy to all the youngsters under the age of 50.



Bullard Shows Off Fish

Bobby Bullard is shown straining to hold up a string of 36 bass he caught Monday in Whitewater Creek. Bullard said, "I had to throw back some small ones." This is by far the largest string of bass caught by any one person reported to this newspaper in a long time - if not ever. Bullard said he caught all the fish on a Sally with a green and yellow skirt. However, he dropped this lure overboard and switched to a yellow skirt with a pork frog and caught the balance. This is by far the largest string of bass caught by any one person reported to this newspaper in a long time - if not ever.

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